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Dear Bob:

While awaiting an answer to my last letter and to your new findings we want you to know that there is a third example of the Parsons \$20 gold ingot in existence. And it has an extra large black letter capital T in both CARAT and in DWT. There may also be another \$20 gold ingot out there as well.

Research must be done as to when a \$20 Parsons ingot was first known. The extensive article by David Proskey in the 1884 and 1885 Coin Collector's Journal does not mention the piece. The enclosed excerpt from the *History of Denver* (1901) does not mention it (I wrote you that it did, but that is wrong). The Popkin article in the New England Journal of Medicine in 1957 and the "Numismatist" for 1958 does mention it. The Whiteley article in the "Numismatist" for July 1958 does not mention it and Whiteley is very reliable and from Colorado.

The work you and Dwight are doing is very important. We are now seeking more information for you and hope you will keep us informed as to your findings. Carry on.

My best,

Eric P. Newman